



THE INDEPENDENT

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Prohibition's Train of Evils

THE arm of the law must be strengthened for the enforcement of prohibition laws, or it would be better to repeal some of the laws. Bone-dry prohibition has produced a condition right here in northeastern North Carolina to-day that is worse than the open saloon. I make this broad statement after mature deliberation. We have closed the saloons and established ten boot-leggers and a hundred boot-leggers for every saloon we have closed. We have stopped the manufacture and sale of light wines and beer, but the ingenuity of alcoholics and the extensive stocks of our drug stores supply countless substitutes. All sorts of substitutes are being manufactured under our very nostrils. Still are operated on the very highway between Elizabeth City and Norfolk, according to information given this newspaper by a man who says he ran across at least one. And when the toppers can't get the distilled substitutes, they drink laudanum, paregoric, Bateman Drops, Jamaica Ginger, Lemon Extract, bay rum, shoe polish, iodine and spirits of camphor. Yes, they actually strain tincture of iodine thru a certain cereal product to lose the deadly iodine and recover the alcohol. They use a simple liquid to precipitate the camphor in spirits of camphor, an get booze that way. Marvelous ingenuity is employed to get something to drink. The almshouses and insane asylums of the country will be filled to overflowing with human wrecks, victims of drugs and dopes if something isn't done. The question is being asked everywhere, Is absolute prohibition a mistake?

Only yesterday I received a letter from a woman in a nearby county asking me to help her to expose certain distillers and boot-leggers in her neighborhood without divulging her name. She said: "Monkey Rum, Ginger, etc. are just flowing around here and my home and others are being ruined. Is there anyway to let it be known who is selling the stuff without my name being known, as it would bring down the wrath of my husband upon my head." Hardly a day passes that I do not receive in the mails or hear similar stories of the failure of prohibition in northeastern North Carolina.

Don't Re-elect These Men

THIS newspaper would like to go thru the present political campaign in Elizabeth City without attacking any man or set of men, but it can sit silently by with men like J. B. Ferebee and Mathia Owens running for the Board of Aldermen in the First Ward.

Messrs. Owens and Ferebee are Mack Sawyer's machine men. I base this statement upon their records. In every important line-up on the Board of Aldermen they have voted Mack Sawyer's way. Mr. Ferebee is not a man of imagination or initiative. He is not a capable man.

Mathias Owens, the running mate of Ferebee is a political bad man. He is a man of no political scruples. On two occasions he has deliberately insulted the intelligence of the people and betrayed his trust by allowing himself two votes. For two consecutive terms the Board of Aldermen of Elizabeth City has been equally divided between good government and Mack Sawyer. Each time Mathias Owens has acted as chairman at the organization of the Board. Each time he has cast his vote with the other three Sawyer men for a Mack Sawyer mayor. And each time he has voted again, as chairman, to break the tie vote and elect the Sawyer man, thereby giving control to the machine for the rest of each term.

There are two candidates opposing Owens and Ferebee in the First Ward. These opposition candidates are G. Frank Derrickson and J. R. Bowden. Mr. Derrickson is one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens in Elizabeth City. He is clean, wholesome, honorable, democratic and has no axes to grind. He loves his town and every citizen in it and was persuaded to be a candidate because of the unselfish and unbiased service he could render the whole community. J. R. Bowden is a young man of no political experience, but he has made a success in business here in Elizabeth City and has the respect and confidence of the business world. He will take pride in the office and stand for progressive measures. The voters of the First Ward should elect Derrickson and Bowden. Owens and Ferebee have been in politics long enough.

Don't Miss The Larger Issue

THE market house has been made an issue in the municipal political campaign in Elizabeth City. It is not a bad issue, but in making too much of this one issue Elizabeth City is in danger of losing sight of a more vital issue. There are a lot of evils connected with the administration of Elizabeth City besides the mismanagement of the city's investment in a market house. Getting a Board of Aldermen committed to a market house will not correct the nine hundred and ninety-nine other things that are wrong.

A competent City Manager can handle Elizabeth City's market house problem. A City Manager with brains, tact and enterprise can put the market house on a paying basis without any fuss or hard feeling. And the same City Manager could reduce friction and unnecessary expense and promote efficiency in every other department of the city's affairs.

What Elizabeth City needs right now—what Elizabeth City has needed all these years—is city management. The city manager form of government in Elizabeth City has never been given a trial. The politicians have discredited the system and made it fizzle for the same reason that they have discredited the market house and made of it a fizzle—because they don't like it.

Instead of pinning candidates for the Board of Aldermen down to the market house question, the intelligent voter and taxpayer should pin them down on the subject of city management. Are your candidates willing to pledge to go outside of Elizabeth City and hire a \$3,000 a year executive to come here without strings to him and run the business of this town as the business of a corporation should be run? Ask your candidates that question.

There are a lot of good men running for Aldermen in the various wards, enough in fact for the voters to pick a good ticket. But the whole bunch of them are not competent to run this town as it should be run, because they can not give the time to it. They

will meet once a month when elected. Imagine a bank running without a cashier, a saw mill running without a manager, a hosiery mill running without a superintendent, and a board of directors meeting once a month. That's the way your town is run now.

Ask your candidates how they stand on the question of city management. Ask them if they think Bill Jones is the type of man for the job. And you might ask them what they think of the calibre of Mayor they've been getting under the present system.

DID YOU SEE THE "TANK"?

If you missed seeing the Tank shown here Wednesday, you missed seeing one of the greatest wonders of the world. Of course the "Tank" itself is rather an insignificant looking thing. It looks like almost anybody could make one of them now. But when you look at it from the viewpoint of what it accomplishes, it is wonderful to behold.

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NORFOLK MARKETS

Norfolk, Va., May 1, 1919.
Reported especially for THE INDEPENDENT by Jarvis & Pentress.
The following prices represent actual sales made to-day:
Items not quoted were not sold to-day and the Food Administration prohibits quotations other than actual sales.
Hens 38c to 40c
Eggs 43c
Frying Chickens 65c
Geese, live 25c
Turkeys, live 35c to 40c
Roosters, live 20c
Ducks, live 30c
Hogs, small, dressed 22c
Irish Potatoes \$3.00
Nancy Halls \$6.00 to \$6.50
Haymays \$5.50 to \$6.00
Market dull on Sweet Potatoes.

CAMDEN LOCALS

The farmers of this section have been very busy for the past week planting corn, cotton, and working their potatoes.
The Irish Potatoes were badly damaged Friday night by the killing frost. Mr. H. C. Ferebee had his peach orchard sprayed Thursday.
More of the farmers of Camden county should do as Mr. Frank Upton has for the past week. It has indeed

been a "Clean-Up-Week" with him. Every fence, tree, or shrub within a radius of a quarter of a mile of his place has been "whitewashed."

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bell visited in Norfolk Saturday.
Mr. Frank Overton of Norfolk visited relatives of this place Sunday.
Miss Doris Upton ordered a setting of White Wyandott eggs from Mrs. H. H. Bullock, Creedmoor, N. C.
All club members of Camden County are requested to meet Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Court House.
There will be speaking at Sandy Hook School House Wednesday night, May 7th.

LIST YOUR TAXES

List Takers for the year 1919 will sit at the following named places:

Providence Township:
Berea School House, May 10th.
Providence School House, May 13th and 20th.
Fork School House, May 17th and 22nd.
Salem Township:
Sawyer & Meads Store, May 6th and 24th.
F. H. Lowry's Store, May 9th.
Farmers Store, May 13th.
Listers Store, May 16th.
Crowder Meads Store, May 20th.
Rapers Old Store, May 22nd.
Nixonton Township:
Epworth Church, May 6th.
McClellan Stanley's Store, May 7th.
W. G. Simon's Store, May 9th.
G. J. Barcliff's Store, May 13th.
J. B. Walston's Store, May 16th and 23rd.
Mt. Hermon Township:
Okisko, May 6th and 20th.
Corinth, May 8th and 16th.
L. A. Bundy's Store, May 12th.
Small's School House, May 14th.
Newland Township:
A. S. Morgan's Store, May 14th.
Gabriel Whitehead's Store, May 15th.
J. A. Whitehead's Store, May 16th.
W. A. Foster's Store, May 20th.
W. J. Albertson's Store, May 21st.
Frank Sawyer's Store, May 22nd.
Elizabeth City Township:
Court House during the month of May.

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For

ALDERMAN

THIRD WARD

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Democratic Candidate

FOR ALDERMAN

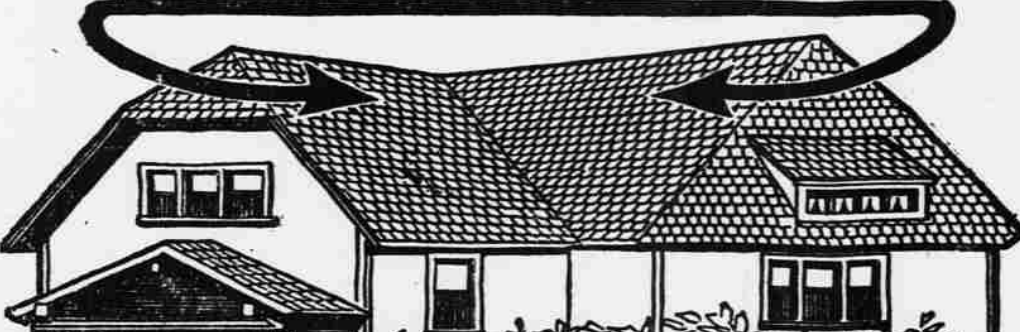
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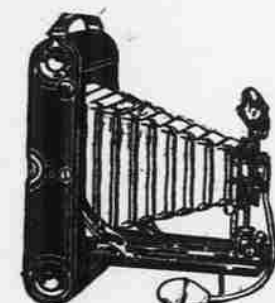
The fabrics on which Dame Fashion has bestowed her greatest favors—and they are attractively priced.

—48-inch all wool navy serge, extra fine quality. Priced at \$2 and \$2.50 a yard.
—54-inch Mixed Suitings, shown in tan and gray. Priced at \$3.50 a yard.
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—40-inch all silk Foulards, in the newest designs for spring. Priced at \$2.50 and \$3 a yard.
—40-inch Pebble Silks, shown in all colors and in black. Priced at \$3.50 a yard.
—36-inch Satin Messaline in colors. Priced at \$2 a yard.
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